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SUBJ: PEKING RADIO ON NUCLEAR WEAPONS IN THE ROK

1. THE FIRST DIRECT PRC-MEDIA INITIATED COMMENT IN RECENT YEARS ON NUCLEAR WEAPONS IN SOUTH KOREA WAS CONTAINED IN A PEKING DOMESTIC BROADCAST (MARCH 5) CONDEMNING THE "PAK CLIQUE" FOR ACTIONS AGAINST NORTH KOREAN FISHING BOATS. THE BROADCAST ARTICLE CHARGED THAT THE "PAK CHUNG-HUI CLIQUE, SUPPORTED BY US IMPERIALISM" HAD "INTRODUCED NUCLEAR WEAPONS FROM THE US AND TURNED SOUTH KOREA INTO A NUCLEAR BASE FOR ATTACKING THE NORTHERN PART OF KOREA." PREVIOUS NCNA REPORTS OF DECEMBER 17 AND 21, 1974 HAD MERELY QUOTED DPRK CHARGES ON THE STORAGE OF US NUCLEAR WEAPONS IN SOUTH KOREA (WR 1, HONG KONG 14006).

2. THE REFERENCE TO NUCLEAR WEAPONS IS MENTIONED ONLY IN PASSING AND IN THE CONTEXT OF AN ATTACK ON THE ROK, RATHER THAN THE USG. THE LOW-KEY ALMOST HIDDEN NATURE OF THIS DOMESTIC BROADCAST REFERENCE SUGGESTS THAT THE PRC IN LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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